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1. (Currently amended) A system comprising at least a communication network, a user entity and a server entity, the system comprising:

said user entity having

a. a processor to (i) enable a user to define at least one itinerary search criterion and at least one service, (ii) send an itinerary search request to said server entity via said communication network, said request comprising at least said search criterion and said service, (iii) receive a response via said communication network, and (iv) present said response;

said server entity having

b. a processor to (i) receive said itinerary search request, (ii) compute at least one itinerary from said search criterion by using a transport database, said itinerary considering two or more forms of transportation to determine an optimal itinerary, (iii) select at least one provider providing said service and fulfilling at least one proximity condition with respect to the computed itinerary by using a database of service providers, said proximity condition being adapted as a function of at least one of the following parameters: a transport mode and the type of traversed zones, and (iv) send, to said user entity via said communication network, a response comprising the computed itinerary with localization of the selected provider.

2. (Currently Amended) A server entity comprising:

a. a processor to enable (i) receiving an itinerary search request, said request comprising at least one search criterion and at least one service, (ii) computing at least one itinerary from said search criterion by using a transport database, said itinerary considering two or more forms of transportation, (iii) selecting at least one provider providing said service and fulfilling at least one proximity condition with respect to the computed itinerary by using a database of service providers, said proximity condition being adapted as a function of at least one of the following parameters: a transport mode and the type of traversed zones, and (iv) sending a response comprising the computed itinerary with localization of the selected provider.

3. (Currently amended) A search method for a user using a user entity the method comprising the steps of:

by the user using the user entity,

- a. defining at least one itinerary search criterion and at least one service;
- b. computing at least one itinerary responding to said search criterion by using a transport database, said itinerary considering two or more forms of transportation to determine an optimal itinerary;
- c. selecting at least one provider providing said service which fulfills at least one proximity condition with respect to the computed itinerary by using a database of service providers, said proximity condition being adapted as a function of at least one of the following parameters: a transport mode and the type of traversed zones; and
- d. presenting the computed itinerary with localization of the selected provider.

6. (Currently Amended) A search method as claimed in claim 3, wherein the service can be user defined independently of the definition of the at least one itinerary search criterion, and in that the services defined are stored in a current list intended to be used during the itinerary computation.

7. (Currently amended) A computer readable storage medium comprising instructions, stored in a programming memory, which, when loaded into a processor, causes said processor to perform an itinerary search method comprising:

- a. defining at least one itinerary search criterion and at least one service;
- b. computing at least one itinerary responding to said search criterion by using a transport database, said itinerary considering two or more forms of transportation to determine an optimal itinerary;
- c. selecting at least one provider providing said service which fulfills at least one proximity condition with respect to the computed itinerary by using a database of service providers, said proximity condition being adapted as a function of at least one of the following parameters: a transport mode and the type of traversed zones; and
- d. presenting the computed itinerary with localization of the selected provider.

8. (Currently amended) An itinerary search request comprising at least one itinerary search criterion dependent upon a transportation mode and at least one service, said request being addressed to a server entity comprising:

a processor to enable, (i) receiving an itinerary search request, said request comprising at least one search criterion and at least one search criterion and at least one service, (ii) computing at least one itinerary from said search criterion by using a transport database, said itinerary considering two or more forms of transportation to determine an optimal itinerary, (iii) selecting at least one provider providing said service and fulfilling at least one proximity condition with respect to the computed itinerary by using a database of service providers, said proximity condition being adapted as a function of at least one of the following parameters: a transport mode and the type of traversed zones and (iv) sending a response comprising the computed itinerary with localization of the selected provider.